

GREEN COUNTY LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Green County Courthouse
County Board Room
1016 16th Avenue
Monroe, Wisconsin
Thursday, August 6, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM. Those present were Erica Roth, Jeff Williams, Kristi Leonard, Nick Hartwig, Dudley Timm, Oscar Olson, Teresa Zimmer, Austin Loeffelholz, Tonya Gratz, and Todd Jenson.

The minutes of the June meeting were approved on a motion by Roth, second by Hartwig. Motion carried.

The committee audited the monthly bills in the amount of \$16,292.00. A motion was made by Williams, second by Roth to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Jenson presented a resolution requesting the State Senate to address the 13 water bills passed in the Assembly earlier this year. A motion was made by Olson, second by Roth to approve the resolution. Motion carried.

Jenson reviewed changes to the job descriptions of the Conservation Technician's positions and options for reclassifications. A motion was made by Roth, second by Williams to have Loeffelholz move from a Conservation Technician, grade 16, step 1, to a Conservation Technician, grade 17. Step 1, and to have Gratz move from a Conservation Technician, grade 16, step 8, to a Soil Conservationist, grade 18, step 7. Motion carried.

Gratz gave a demonstration on different types of weeds and the length of time their seeds remain viable seedbank in the soil. She also discussed the importance of combine cleaning.

Jenson informed the committee the office has recently done 145 status reviews for CRP/CREP contracts. He discussed the members selected for the local workgroup and citizen's advisory committee for the rewrite of the land and water plan. He went through workgroup priorities and asked for any additions or changes.

Zimmer informed the committee their office is still working on crop certification. CFAP deadline is August 28. There may be a second round for this program. PLC yield updates are due September 15. CREP and continuous CRP need to be signed by August 21 and general CRP have until the end of September to sign contracts. Their office has a job opening.

Loeffelholz informed the committee he has been working on CRP/CREP status reviews.

Gratz informed the committee she has been working on CRP/CREP status reviews, streambank designs, and has had two popup field days.

Jenson informed the committee Sarah Strathman has left the NRCS. Tony Strenz accepted a position as a Civil Engineering Technician for NRCS. He will still be stationed in Green County, but will cover a few other counties as well.

There were no committee concerns.

There were no public comments.

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, September 3, beginning at 9:30 AM.

A motion was made by Williams, second by Olson to adjourn. The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM.